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BOL'SHOY FERGANSKIY KANAL IMENI STALINA: came into operation 10 years ago; is the largest irrigation work in the U.S.S.R.; is 270 km long; supplied the FERGANA Valley with water, improved the irrigation of crops over 500,000 hectares and irrigated 60,000 hectares of new land (p 12).

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Whilst in the museum we found some interesting information about irrigation in Tadzhikistan. The importance of irrigation is clear when one considers that nowhere in the Republic does the annual rainfall exceed ten inches. The huge irrigation systems which have been constructed in the Vakash and Gissar Valley have transformed these areas from deserts into one of the major cotton districts of the U.S.S.R. The Stalin Canal which is miles long was, according to a chart in the museum, dug by labourers in only days, while the miles long Fergana Canal was dug in days by labourers. These figures seem extraordinary and it would seem quite likely that non-voluntary labour was used in their construction.

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THE FERGANA CANAL. The canal is 349 km long and is fed by the river Syr-Darya. Situated in the Fergana valley, its main function is irrigation; but it is also used for transporting local freight traffic.